

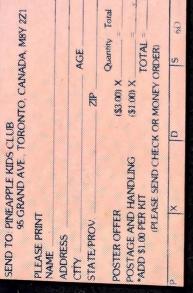
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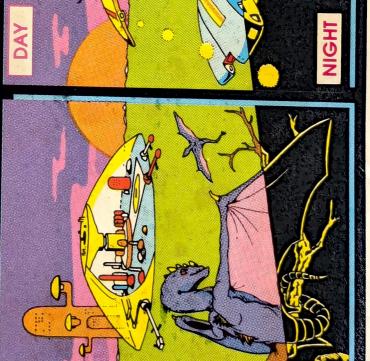














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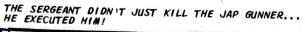




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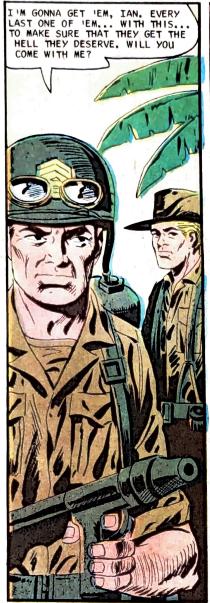


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'EM, IAN. WE... WE WERE IN A
FIRE-FIGHT THE OTHER DAY... I
WAS STUNNED BY A GRENADE BLAST
... THOUGHT DEAD... MY MEN
DIDN'T HAVE A CHANCE... THOSE
JAPS... THEY TOOK MY MEN PRISONER...



...AND THEN BUTCHERED THEM...
LITERALLY BUTCHERED THEM! AND
I COULDN'T DO A THING TO STOP
IT... I COULDN'T MOVE... I
COULD ONLY LIE THERE AND WATCH
MY BEST FRIENDS BE TORTURED...
AND HEAR THEIR TERRIBLE...
PLEADING WHIMPERS AND CRIES
MIXED WITH JAPANESE LAUGHTER...















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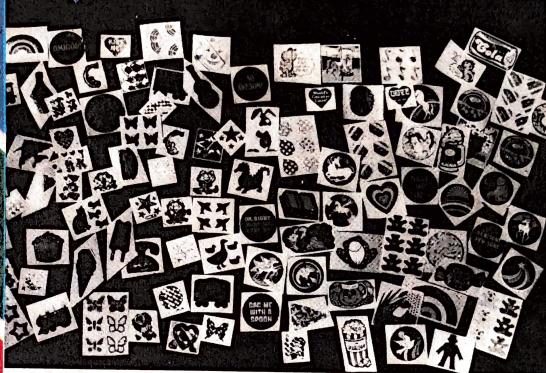
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IT HAD ONLY
LASTED A FEW
MINUTES AND
WHEN IT WAS
ALL OVER, WE
REALIZED THAT
A JAP GARRISON
OF ABOUT TWENTY
MEN HAD BEEN
COMPLETELY
ANNIHILATED.
OUR ONLY CASUALTY WAS PETE.
SLY, WHO HAD
BEEN SLIGHTLY
WOUNDED IN THE
ARM. WHEN BILLY
SWAN RETURNED,
HIS FLAME!THROWER'S TANKS
WERE EMPTY.

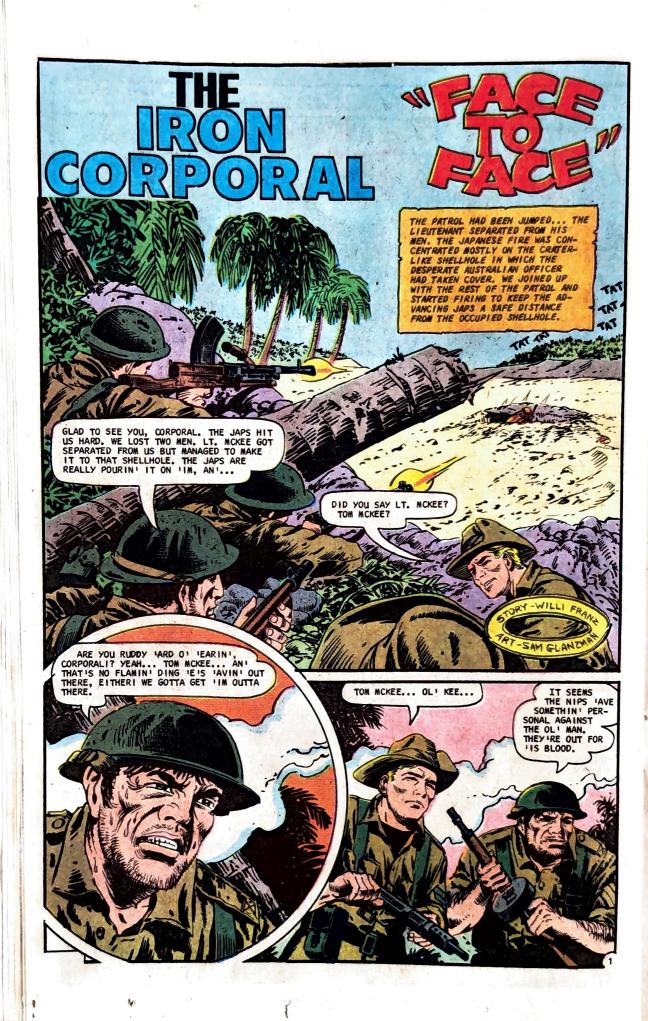












1ST LT. TON MCKEE WASN'T A VERY BIG FELLOW, THE STUTTERING KICK OF HIS THOMPSON WOULD CAUSE HIS HELMET TO SLIP DOWN OVER HIS EYES WHEN HE FIRED, SO HE WOULD FIRE A SHORT BURST, ADJUST HIS HELMET AND FIRE A SHORT BURST AGAIN...







SUDDENLY, ALL THE SHOOTING STOPPEDI THE ONLY ONE STILL FIRING WAS MY FRIEND IN THE SHELLHOLE, BLASTING AWAY WITH HIS THOMPSON LIKE A MADMAN TO DISCOURAGE ANY NIPS FROM RUSHING THE PIT. IT WAS TOM MCKEE, ALL RIGHT. IT WAS HIS UNIQUE METHOD OF FIRING A TOMMYGUN.











BUT THE SERGEANT PULLED ME RIGHT DOWN.



THE JAPS HAD ONLY MADE IT HALF-WAY TO THE PIT WHEN THEIR NUMBERS STARTED CRUMBLING UNDER THE STEADY HAIL OF GUNFIRE COMING FROM OUR POSITION. THE JAPS TURNED BACK! THE BREN GUN HAD DONE THE MOST DAMAGE.





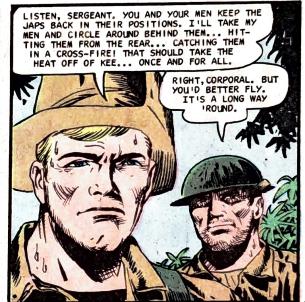
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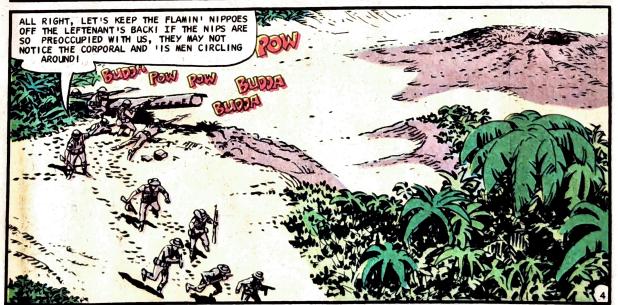












IT SEEMED LIKE HOURS INSTEAD OF MINUTES AS WE RACED THROUGH THE JUNGLE AND ALONG THE MUDDY AND SLIPPERY NARROW PATH ON THE BANKS OF THE FAST-MOVING STREAM WHICH HAD BEEN SWELLED BY THE MONSOON RAINS. WE COULD HEAR HEAVY, SPORADIC FIRING.







I FELT LIKE A FOOL ... A DUMB, BLEEDING FOOL.





Y

IT SEEMED AS THOUGH YEARS HAD PASSED SINCE I HAD BEEN ON THAT BEACH, I WAS A NEW RECRUIT FRESH OUT OF TRAINING... NO COMBAT EXPERIENCE AT ALL. THE JAP ZERO CAME IN LOW AND FAST, ITS MACHINE GUNS FLASHING ANGRILY. I FROZE WITH TERROR, UNABLE TO MOVE... TO SAVE MYSELF. WITH ALL OF THE OTHER MEN SCURRYING FOR COVER, ONLY TOM MCKEE CAME RUNNING TOWARD ME...



... AND KNOCKED ME DOWN BEFORE THE ZERO IS MACHINE

THE ZERO MADE ITS FINAL PASS... AND I WAS STILL ALIVE!





AS TIME WENT BY, I HAD MADE LANCECORPORAL. AND I SOON LEARNED TO FIGHT AND SURVIVE LIKE THE SEASONED VETERAN I HAD BECOME.







TOM MCKEE, HAD TAUGHT ME A LOT. HOW TO FIGHT ... SURVIVE... HOW TO LIVE... AND IF NECESSARY... HOW TO DIE IF NEED BE... I OWED A LOT TO KEE, AND NOW I WAS HELPLESS TO AID HIM WHEN HE NEEDED ME...



AS SOON AS THE JAPS HAD PASSED ME, I POKED THE BARREL OF MY STEN THROUGH THE FOLIAGE AND SENT FOUR OF THE FIVE JAPANESE SOLDIERS TO WHEREVER BRAVE JAPANESE SOLDIERS GO WHEN THEY DIE.

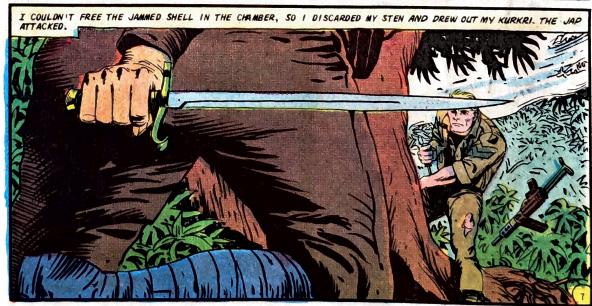


MY LEG WAS GETTING NUMB BUT I WAS STILL DIZZY. THROUGH MY BLURRED VISION, I COULD SEE...

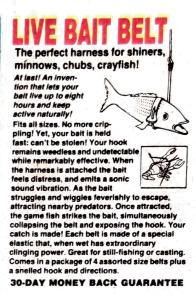


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THE JAP CORPORAL POUNCED ON ME LIKE A WILDCAT, I LOST MY GRIP ON MY KURKRI AS WE BOTH ROLLED ACROSS THE NARROW PATH AND SLIPPED INTO THE STREAM,



I GRABBED THE JAP'S HEAD AND PLUNGED IT UNDER THE WATER, HOLDING IT THERE. HE STRUGGLED DESPERATELY BUT FUTILELY IN THE SWIFT CURRENT. A STRANGE SENSE OF SATISFACTION... THEN HORROR, CAME OVER ME AS I WATCHED THE LAST FEW BUBBLES BREAKING THE SURFACE.



THE BODY WENT LIMP AND I RELEASED MY GRIP. I COULDN'T FEEL MY LEG ANYMORE AND THE SWIFT UNDER-CURRENT WHICH CARRIED THE JAPANESE BODY AWAY WAS ALSO PULLING ME UNDER!



MY HAND KEPT SLIPPING ON THE SLIMEY ROCK... MY WOUNDED LEG... THE ADDED WEIGHT OF MY IRON RIBS AND THE SWIFT CURRENT PULLING ME UNDER...! A GARBLED AND HIDEOUS CRY OF TERROR AND DESPAIR FILLED THE AIR. I DIDN'T REALIZE THEN THAT IT HAD ESCAPED MY OWN THROAT.



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Impossible? You'll be doing things like that every day without even thinking about it. As soon as you need something done, it's done! The people who do these things for you will remember what they did, but not why!

FUN POWER-TOO!

FUN POWER—TOO!

You can have a lot of fun with this power, too. Look how Evelyn C. used it at work. One day, while sorting papers, her boss angrily inquired why she had to make so much noise—and scolded her in front of everybody. Evelyn said nothing, but smiled to herself—for she had just urned on the "Automatic Mind-Command..." Suddenly the boss apologized for being a scounfel. "Please...!" msorry," he said, in front of everybody. "I'd like to make it up to you!" And the told her what a wonderful person she was! When Evelyn turned the power off, the boss just slood there with an open mouth, wondering what made him say all those things.

Think what this power can mean in your life. You need money. and it's there! You want some affection... you'll be smothered! You want peace and quiet... the world stands still!

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Think how many secrets must be hidden all around you! Things your spouse won't tell . . .

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A Master Researcher, Metaphysician, and Psychic Advisor, he has helped counties men and women find true happiness the has the rare ability of writing clearly and simply so that even the moste-profound fruths cas be plainly understood by anyone.

your neighbors won't say ... your boss keeps quiet about ... ALL BROUGHT INTO THE OPEN JUST FOR YOU!! They'll tell you all their secrets, but they won't know why. Hold on now, because I haven't told you yet about the best part of "Automatic Mind-Command."

You may have to bolt your door to keep peo-

mand."
You may have to bolt your door to keep people from overwhelming you with love, gifts, favors, rewards! Perfect strangers will be walking up to you and asking. "How are you? Can I do anything for you?" They will never suspect that "Automatic Mind-Command" is impelling them to like you, please you ... and automatically want to help you.

INSTANTLY YOUR LIFE IS CHANGED!

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In all history, few indeed are the ones who have recognized "Automatic Mind-Command."
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HOW TO GET STARTED IN JUST 3 MINUTES!

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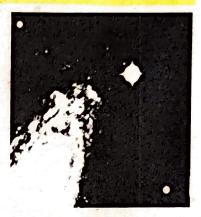
And it's all just minutes away! Larry S. wanted to see his girlfriend—although had no idea where she was—and no way of

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As this page was being written, we just learned of the passing of one of Charlton's veteran artists. Mr. Nicholas was one of the original artists for the Golden Age Blue Beetle. and part of the initial group of cartoonists who started Charlton's come; line in the early 50's. Charlie's versatility encompassed all genres war, romance, western and mystery. Joe Gill remembers that, his work was "always on time" and that he was a good team player Our condolences to his family and friends.

OPENING LETTERSWith only half of our line of books out at this writing (mid-July!), the mail is just starting to flow. We'd like you to know that your L.O.C's (Letters of Comment) are read (sometimes answered) and appreciated by us, so - feed us back! Suggestions are still being taken for our titres' letter columns; if your idea is selected, we'll be sending a cover stat or engraver proof to you as our thanks!

DIRECT MAILS

We gather that from the letters to date, most of the L.O.C.'s are from readers who buy from the comic book shops. These stores receive our titles several weeks ahead of newsstand outlets, now that Charlton is entering the direct sales market. So, to help us gauge our availability, please try to mention where you purchased our comics when writing us. Also, if your local shop isn't carrying our line, why not ask them to give us a try?

AGAINST THE WALL

Speaking of shops, we'll be making a special poster available to store owners for advertis ing in the near future! To make this poster special, none other than Steve Ditko will be producing the illustration of not only Static and The Mysterious Traveler, but his renditions of all the characters in our line! If this special, full-color, one-of-a-kind poster's response is good, we may offer it to readers as well as shop owners!



NEW KID IN TOWN

Speaking of Steve (is this a pattern?). Mr Ditko has also created a character for Charlton to use as a representative for our comics and ads! We'll give you a sample of him here; the rest of C.A.'s introduction can be found in Static #12 Drop us a line and tell us what you think!

AROUND ROBIN

Speaking of new "kids" (this is a pattern!), a belated "welcome aboard" to Robin Snyder, who edits "Static" for Steve Ditko and co-edits "Mysterious Traveler" with yours truly. Mr. S's credits include stints at Grosset & Dunlap. Harris, DC, Western, Archie, Fantagraphics and Renegade as a writer as well as editor. For a taste of his writing, check out "Mysterious Traveler" #16 for a story called "The Three Of Us" with art by Romeo Tanghal!

SEPARATE BUT EQUAL

While Wendy Fiore colors our books, it's Elaine Voytek and Margaret Soda who produce the color separations at Charlton Yes, coloring and "seps" are two different skills, but even if Wilma Witch's face is green instead of flesh. that can be a mistake in the engraving or printing, not the coloring or sens It's exacting work and never credited so here's a tip of the editorial hat to the ladies whose "link" is just as important as any other part of our "chain!"

THE BOTTOM LINE

A very special thank to Mike DeCarlo for producing the striking cover to the first issue of Thane Of Bagarth Mike is one of the top inker embellishers for our distinguished competition and a real hero to our rescue for a cover on too short a notice! Good show. Michaell

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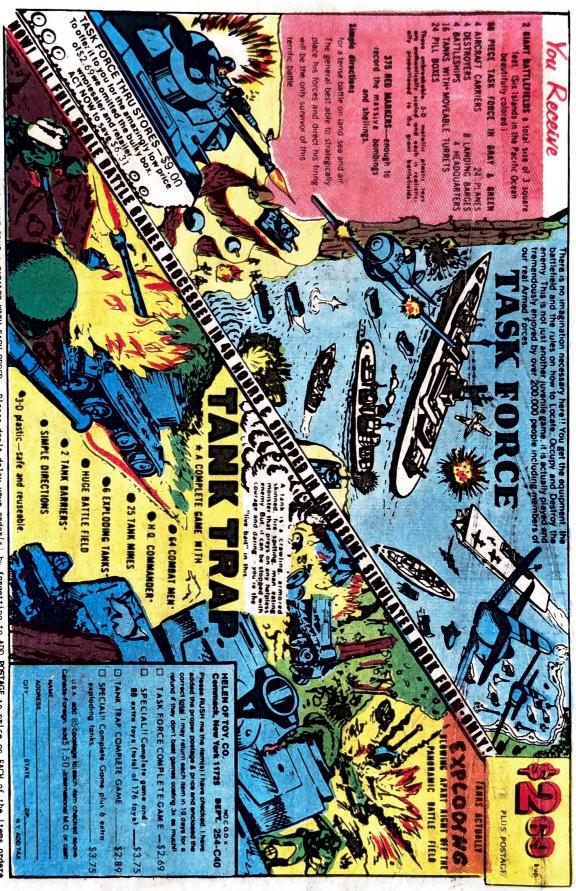
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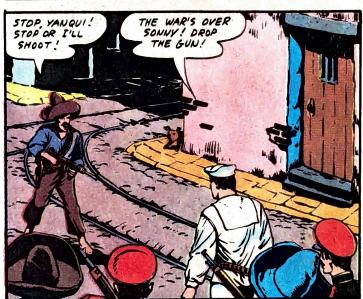








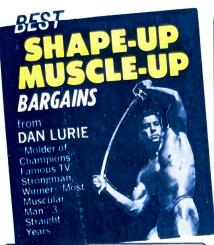














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